S. No.	Name of the Bulk Drug	Unit	Earlier Price (Rs)	Revised Price (Rs)	Date	%Decrease
25.	Prednisolone	Kg.	36826.00	36468.00	-do-	0.97
26.	Pyrental Pamoate	Kg.	1346.00	1327.00	-do-	1.41
27.	Spiranolacetone	Kg.	23397.00	22606.00	-do-	3.38
28.	Salphadiazine	Kg.	607.00	575.00	-do-	5.27
29.	Sulphadimidine	Kg.	400.00	387.00	-do-	3.25
30.	Pyrazinamide	Kg.	1688.00	1579.00	-do-	6.46
31.	Sulphamethoxazole	Kg.	415.00	411.00	-do-	0.96
32.	Sulphamoxole	Kg.	466.00	435500	-do-	6.65
33.	Theophylline	Kg.	393.00	384.00	-do-	2.29
34.	Trimethoprim	Kg.	1400a00	1386.00	-do-	1.00
35.	Xanithinole Nicotinate	Kg.	484.00	481a00	-do-	0.62
36.	Aspirin	Kg.	102.00	83a00	21.6.93	18.63
37.	Ampicillin Trihydrate	Kg.	3098.00	2885.00	22.6.93	6.88
38.	Ampicillin Sod. Sterile	Kg.	4898.00	4632.00	-do-	5.43
39.	Erythromycin Ethyl Succinate	Kg.	4953.00	4855.00	15.2.94	1.98

Production of Betamethasone formulations

3034. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:
DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to answer to unstarred Question 1881 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th December, 1993 and state:

(a) what are the names of companies, other than M/s. Glaxo, which are producing Betamethasone formulations and what are the packs and their composition and at what price each is selling;

(b) whether it is a fact that except for Betnesan Tablets, none of those packs confirms to the packs of M/s. Glaxo;

(c) why were 8 per cent incidentals then allowed and did they not result in pumping of unintended Rs. 16 crores to M/s. Glaxo per year;

(d) what are the other poducts of Glaxo where 8 per cent incidedentals are allowed when the same are not incurred; and

(e) what steps are being taken to rectify the situation and give relief to consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Upgradation of Penicillin Technology

3035. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:
DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleaed to refer to answer to Starred Question 311 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd December, 1993 and state:

(a) whether any formal or informal propostals for upgradation of technology

for Penicillin at Hindustan Antibiotics Limited have been received and if so, what are their details;

(b) when was each proposal received, what are the financial implications and why decision on these proposals have not been taken by the HAL or Government;

(c) whether acceptance of these proposals would lead to improvement in the profitability of HAL and if so, what are the projections of profitability; and

(d) whether it is a fact that delay in acceptance of the proposals is leading to increased imports and higher outgo of foreign exchange?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (d) A formual proposal for collaboration has been received by Hindustan Antibiotics Limited on the 31st January, 1994. A detailed evaluation is to be made by the company.

Bombay High Court's direction for recovery into DPEA

3036. PROF. I. G. SANADI:

SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the direction of the Bombay High Court in the matter of recovery of over Rs. 100 crores into the Drug Price Equalisation Account;

(b) when was this direction given and when it was complied with;

(c) what is the present position and why the Ministry has not gone back to the Bombay High Court;

(d) whether it is a fact that there is a high level involvement in stalling the recovery in this manner; and

(e) what steps are being taken to expedite the recovery?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a), (b), (c) and (e) Against the notices issued to various drug companies regarding recoveries into Drug Price Equaisation Account (DPEA), 9 companies have filed writ petitions in the Bombay High Court which gave certain directions in 8 cases. As a result of which some recoveries/bank guarantees have been obtained. The pending writ petition filed by a drug company in Bombay High Court is being pursued.

(d) No, Sir.

Price of Chlorpheniramine Maleate

3037. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) when was the price for Chlorpheniramine Maleate notified at Rs. 747.37 per Kg and whether it is a fact that BICP started recognising price of Rs. 1100 per Kg in the formulations Rs. if so, since when;

(b) how was the notified price ignored and high market price was adopted and what is the justification in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Ministry and BICP failed to adopt the lower market price for Ampicillin Sodium, Renitidine, Metronidazole, Furazolidone, Trimethoprim and certain other drugs;

(d) if so, what is the market price of each and at what price Government has fixed prices;

(e) whether it is a fact that large houses are involved in the production of the formulations based on these drugs and that they have given agencies and other inducements to the Officers of the Ministry and the BICP; and

(f) why has the principal not been followed consistently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The price of bulk drug Chlorpheneramine Maleate was notified as Rs. 747.37/Kg on 6-1-81, which is being adopted by the Government for the pricing of formulations.